

# ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY



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## ARKANSAS BROILER PLACEMENTS DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

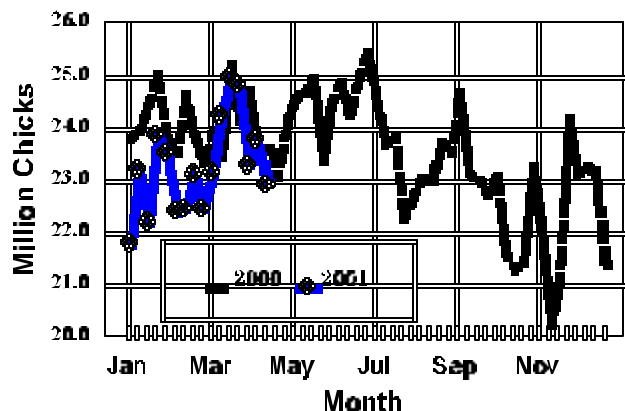
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in **Arkansas** was 23.0 million during the week ending April 21, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000 and 4 percent below the previous week, and included 2.9 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000, through April 21, 2001 were 372.8 million, 3 percent below a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 23.9 million, up slightly from the corresponding week a year earlier, but 4 percent below the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.3 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatch ability for chicks hatched was 82.8 percent.

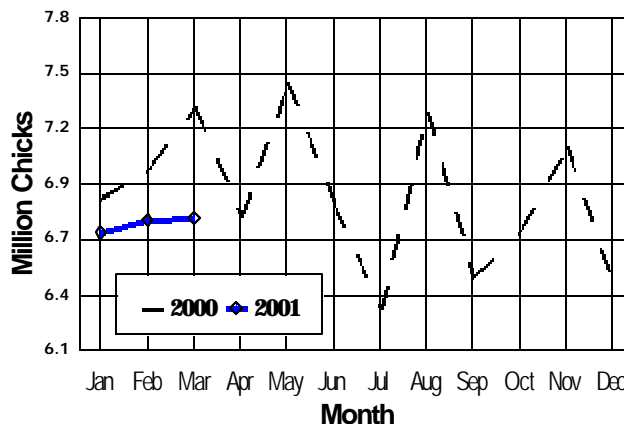
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 29.6 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 21, 2001, down 3 percent from the same period last year, and 1 percent below the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **UNITED STATES** placed 6.8 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during March 2001, down 8 percent from March 2000.

ARKANSAS BROILER CHICK PLACEMENTS  
BY WEEK, 2000 - 2001



U.S. BROILER-TYPE PULLET CHICKS PLACED  
FOR DOMESTIC HATCHERY SUPPLY FLOCKS



NET PLACEMENTS IN ARKANSAS

Week Ending	Year		% Change
	2000	2001	
	1,000		
Mar. 17	25,285	24,259	96
Mar. 24	24,842	25,011	101
Mar. 31	24,765	24,837	100
Apr. 7	23,653	23,315	99
Apr. 14	23,680	23,813	101
Apr. 21	23,109	22,964	99

U.S. PULLET CHICKS PLACED

Month	Year		% Change
	2000	2001	
	1,000		
Oct.	7,121	6,694	94
Nov.	6,984	7,105	102
Dec.	6,993	6,429	92
Jan.	6,861	6,685	97
Feb.	7,001	6,748	96
Mar.	7,310	6,752	92

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# BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/		Week Ending				1/	
STATE	31-Mar	07-Apr	14-Apr	21-Apr	%	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	07-Apr	14-Apr	21-Apr	%
Alabama	29,046	29,114	29,005 *	28,616	99	21,177	21,477	22,454	22,316	21,857 *	22,135	102
ARKANSAS	28,886	29,060	30,029	29,613	97	24,259	25,011	24,837	23,315	23,813	22,964	99
Delaware	3,670	3,454	3,737	3,777	85	5,250	4,724	5,276	5,648	4,672 *	4,944	100
Florida	2,678	2,694	2,362	2,384	82	2,400	2,364	2,230	2,186	2,468	2,395	98
Georgia	31,519	32,377	32,586	31,853	100	25,941	26,312	26,049	25,534	25,440 *	25,355	99
Maryland	8,624	8,946	8,682 *	8,697	95	6,140	5,714	5,377	5,221	6,106 *	5,429	83
Mississippi	18,670	18,929	17,820	18,119	101	15,151	15,954	15,662	15,491	15,615	15,331	98
N. Carolina	17,877 *	17,923	17,699	17,463	91	14,873	14,495	14,685	14,446	14,405	14,437	97
Pennsylvania	3,806	3,819 *	3,736	3,666	98	2,744	2,838	2,872	2,684 *	2,583 *	2,736	98
S. Carolina	4,911	4,889	5,012	5,021	104	3,754	4,245	3,797	4,201	4,584	3,909	100
Texas	14,684	15,192	15,260	15,261	102	11,643	11,778	11,617	11,558	11,606	11,461	100
Virginia	6,686	6,734 *	6,698 *	6,693	101	5,373	5,659	5,287	5,458 *	5,415 *	5,785	107
CA TN & W VA	11,609	11,570	11,370 *	11,538	101	10,268	10,176	10,091	10,260 *	10,694 *	10,282	97
Total 2000-2001	182,666 *	184,701 *	183,996 *	182,701		148,973	150,747	150,234	148,318 *	149,258 *	147,163	
Total 1999-2000	185,510	188,823	188,331	186,477		148,620	148,575	149,714	147,609	148,314	148,919	
% PREV. YEAR	98	98	98	98		100	101	100	100	101	99	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2001.....						05-May	12-May	19-May	26-May	02-Jun	09-Jun	

\* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

## EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES DOWN 2 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 183 million eggs during the week ending April 21, 2001. This was down 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 147 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 21, 2001. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through April 21, 2001 were 2.33 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.